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MSSD students graduate June 19

Members of the Class of 1987 at the Model Secondary School for the Deaf received their high school diplomas during commencement exercises June 19 at the Field House.

The graduation address was given by Jay Parker, president of Jay Parker and Associates Inc. and a trustee at Gallaudet. Parker talked to the graduates about the volunteer independent sector, calling it a passion in his life.

Noting that about half of the adults in this country volunteer their time to one organization or another, Parker urged the graduates to give of their time to charitable organizations in addition to pursuing a career.

Following Parker's remarks, class valedictorian Todd Hlavacek spoke for his classmates in thanking teachers, family and friends for their help. "Our class motto is, 'Every today is the beginning of tomorrow.' Today we enter a new phase of our lives. Yes, today is the beginning of tomorrow."

Addressing his classmates, Hlavacek continued: "All of us have been given the basic ingredients to be successful. Now it's up to us to make use of our abilities and skills. We, the senior class, welcome this challenge."

Bob Davila, vice president for Pre-College Programs, spoke about the school's achievements—saying that there have been many during its 18-year existence. "We have acquired a reputation for excellence and high quality," he said.

Davila also spoke about Peter Hobbs, the school's principal who died of cancer earlier this year. "Peter Hobbs was totally dedicated to new ideas for the school," Davila said, adding that Hobbs was particularly interested in computers. Davila then announced that the school is naming its computer room the Peter B. Hobbs Computer Center in

Hobbs' memory. A bronze plaque will be placed in the room, he noted.

MSSD's Class of 1987 gave as its gift to the school a check to pay for that plaque. The students also presented a framed picture of students standing in a formation spelling MSSD. The picture was autographed by class members. In addition, the class will plant an oak tree at the school.

Hlavacek and Christine Rudauskas, class president, also presented flowers to retiring faculty member Sarah Val. Val, a teacher in the school's Communication Department, began working at MSSD when it opened in 1969.

In Hobbs' memory, the school presented the Peter B. Hobbs Memorial Award. The award, given in years past as the Spirit of MSSD Award, was presented to Hlavacek by Hobbs' widow, Margaret, and Linda McCarty, a teacher in the Social Studies Department.

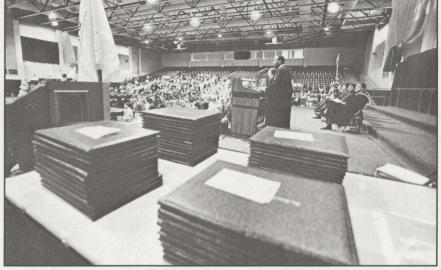
Jim Barnes, Gallaudet vice president for Administration and Business and president of the Gallaudet Sertoma Club, presented Sertoma scholarships to Joan Virgadaula and George Boyd.

During the ceremonies, Charles Welsh-Charrier, an English teacher at the school, and Janne Harrelson of the school's Educational Planning Office sang the national anthem, "Like an Eagle" and "This is the Time."

Stewart Shipe drowns

Stewart Shipe of the Physical Plant Department drowned June 11 after he disappeared from his boat at the Fort McNair Yacht Basin on the Anacostia River.

Shipe, 35, was a grounds supervisor in the grounds department. He began working at Gallaudet in June 1982.



Testimony to years of hard work, stacks of MSSD diplomas await the procession of graduates and awarding of degrees during the school's commencement exercises.

Gallaudet featured in videotape series

Gallaudet's Kendall Green campus recently became a film location and several of its community members actors. As video cameras rolled, junior government major Jerry Covell assumed the role of a federal government employee discussing assistive devices with Gallaudet staff members.

The videotape is one of three being prepared by the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) within the U.S. Department of Education on Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Section 504 prohibits discrimination against qualified handicapped people in any federally supported program or activity.

The videotapes will be used by OCR staff when providing technical assistance to school districts, colleges, universities, parents and others interested in Section 504. It also will be used to inform recipients of federal funds how to comply with the law.

Gallaudet was featured as part of a

25- to 30-minute videotape giving general information about Section 504 and the types of aids and services available to handicapped persons, according to Norma Timm, the project officer at OCR.

Cindy Compton, director of the Assistive Devices Center in the Department of Audiology, coordinated the videotaping on campus. Both she and Anne Nissen, director of Experiential Programs Off Campus (EPOC), appeared in the videotape.

"Our purpose is to let supervisors and co-workers of hearing impaired people know how these devices aid communication on the job," said Compton.

"For the past two years the Assistive Devices Center and EPOC have collaborated to educate hearing office managers about deafness and deaf people through workshops. The workshops have been very successful; participants have been receptive to ways of dealing with communication problems. We expect the same results from using the videotapes," she said.

The videotapes are being produced by CLI Productions Inc. of Hyattsville, Md. The other two videotapes deal with issues at the elementary and secondary school level as well as at the postsecondary level. The tapes should be available for use in meetings, workshops and conferences in September.

Chair to begin duties

Jane Kelleher will begin her duties as chair of the Department of Sign Communication on July 6. Dr. Kelleher comes to Gallaudet from Northeastern University where she was acting director of Sign Language Programs.

Her office will be Kendall Hall Room 202A and her phone number will be x5200.

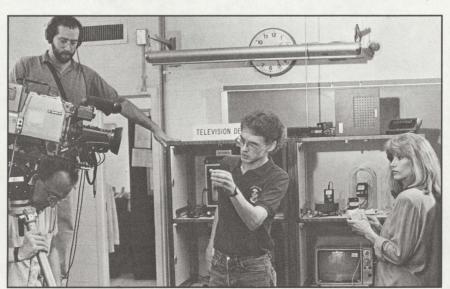
Parker resigns post at MSSD

John Parker, MSSD's athletic director, has resigned after 10 years at Gallaudet. Parker, whose last day at MSSD will be July 31, has been the school's athletic director since 1979.

He came to Gallaudet in 1975 from Pallotti High School in Laurel, Md. He worked with Gallaudet's intramural program until 1977 when he moved to MSSD, taking a position as the school's intramural director.

Two years later he was named MSSD's athletic director, where he has been responsible for overseeing the school's 18 athletic teams.

Parker will enter private business after leaving Gallaudet.



Cindy Compton, director of the Assistive Devices Center, and student Jerry Covell are shown filming part of a videotape on Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Announcements

Because of the Independence Day holiday, On the Green will not be published next Monday, July 6. The next issue will be published July 13. Items for inclusion in that issue should be submitted no later than Friday, July 3.

Gallaudet's softball team in the U.S. Senate Softball League will compete in three upcoming games. The team will play the Penetrators July 9, the Rolling Thones July 13 and HEW July 14. All three games will begin at 6:30 p.m. at

The College for Continuing Education lecture series will include four lectures in the next week. "Visual Gestural Communication" will be presented June 30 by Gilbert C. Eastman, professor in the Department of Theatre Arts. "Television and Telephone Listening Systems: Evaluation Research" will be presented July 1 by Harriet Kaplan, associate professor in the Department of Audiology. "Gestuno: International Sign Communication" will be presented July 2 by Willard J. Madsen, associate professor in the Department of Sign Communication. "Alcoholism and Deafness: Impact on Families" will be presented July 6 by Fran White, associate professor in the Department of Counseling. All lectures will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Ely Center Auditorium. For a complete schedule or more information, call the National Academy at x5095.

The Gallaudet, Washington and Alexandria chapters of the Sertoma Club

will host an auction of original artwork on Saturday, July 11 in the third floor dining room of the George Washington University Marvin Center at 21st and H Streets NW. A wine and cheese preview, beginning at 7 p.m., will be followed by the auction at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5. Patron tickets (name listed in the program) are five for \$20. Sponsor tickets (business card printed in the program) are six for \$25. For tickets or more information, contact Denise Sullivan, x5350, or a Gallaudet Sertoma Club member.

The Association on Handicapped Student Services Programs in Post Secondary Education (AHSSPPE) will hold its Tenth National Conference at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C., July 22-25. The conference theme, "Capitalizing on the Future," will focus on issues such as understanding policy and legislation and the latest technology in the field. For more information, call John Raymer, director of Student Special Services, Ely Center Room 124, x5256.

The D.C. Public Library announces a new publication, "Planning the Celebration of Deaf Heritage Week: A Guide for Public Libraries." The guide can be found in the Library Section of The Red Notebook and can be photocopied for personal or classroom use. A copy is also available in Gallaudet's library. Deaf Heritage Week, Dec. 6-12, will mark the 200th anniversary of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet's birth.

Frank R. Turk, dean of Student Life at MSSD, talks with graduating seniors at a special breakfast prior to the school's commencement exercises on June 19.

Among Ourselves

Deborah M. Sonnenstrahl of the Art Department has completed her doctoral degree requirements at New York University. She successfully defended her dissertation, "An Investigation of Preferred Modes of Inquiry of Deaf University Naive and Experienced Students for the Study of Visual Arts. Sonnenstrahl also spoke at "Arts for a Silent Social Change," a celebration of deaf artists in America, held at the University of California at Santa Barbara. Jane Norman, Bernard Bragg and Eugene Bergman were also featured.

Judith Rosenthal, Experiential Programs Off Campus (EPOC) coordinator, participated in a panel discussion "Investing in Your Future: The Student Intern" at the Mideastern Symposium on Therapeutic Recreation held in Ocean City, Md. She also trained local and national hearing celebrities to use tinnitus maskers to simulate hearing impairment during National Barriers Awareness Day in Washington, D.C. The celebrities assumed a disability for the day and spent the day with someone with that same disability.

Bernard Bragg, co-founder of the presenters in the 11th Annual Creative spent eight years as a member of the center's Traveling Hands Theater Troupe, was also a presenter.

Teachers of the Gallaudet Workout, Gallaudet's aerobic exercise program, participated in Washington's annual summer celebration, Riverfest. Gina Oliva spoke briefly about the Workout before she and the Workout staff performed their 30-40 minute exercise/dance routine. Among the participants were Sue Gill-Gould, Ellie Korres, Cindy Read, Regina Pradier, Tina Wix, Priscilla Frelich, Sue McDevitt and Lilly Benedict.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: 48" brown oak kitchen table w/large leaf and 4 oak-trimmed beige vinyl chairs w/wheels, must see to appreciate, \$600. Washing machine, as is, \$50. Call

FREE: Tiger/Calico kittens to good homes 4 females, 1 male, available soon. Call Mary Carole, x4578 (V) or x4579 (TDD).

FOR RENT: Mobile home in Fenwick Island. 3-BR, AC, screened porch, pool. Many good dates left. Call 773-7846 (V/TDD).

FOR SALE: Sofa and loveseat, coffee table w/2 matching end tables, dining room set, 4 straw fans. Call Cindy, x5096 (TDD).

FOR SALE: Refrigerator/freezer, frost free, approx. 14 cu. ft., avocado, good cond., \$90. Call Jerry, x5240.

Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

CAREER DEVELOPMENT TEACHER: MSSD

COORDINATOR, SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM: MSSD INFORMATION SPECIALIST II: National Information Center on Deafness

ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR/RECRUITER (UNDERGRADUATE): Admissions as Recruitment

LITHOGRAPHER I: Publications and

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR IN AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH/LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY: Department of Audiology

INSTRUCTOR/ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: Department of Education

Group begins endowed research fund

World Wings International, a group of current and former Pan American Airways flight attendants, has established the World Wings International Endowed Research Fund at Gallaudet.

The fund, which will be administered by Ray Trybus, dean of Graduate Studies and Research, was established with the group's recent gift of \$11,500 and the income used to support



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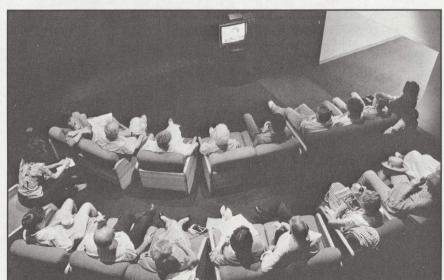
research on deafness-related topics.

"Because the new fund has been established as an endowment, it is eligible for matching through the Federal Endowment Matching Program begun at Gallaudet last August," said Jane Kolson, director of the Development

In the past, World Wings International has provided Gallaudet money for scholarships. Kolson credited Sally Kaplan, the group's vice president of Charity, with focusing the organization's attention on Gallaudet's needs.

Incorrect information about the endowed research fund was given in the June 15 issue of On the Green.

National Theater of the Deaf, and Deborah Sonnenstrahl, associate professor of Art History and Museum Studies at Gallaudet, were among Arts Festival sponsored by the Center on Deafness in Des Plaines, Ill. Oscarwinning actress Marlee Matlin, who



Students, faculty and Elderhostel participants gather in Carlin Hall at $11\ a.m.$ on June $14\ to$ watch the first closed-captioned broadcast of NBC News' "Meet the Press."